

Established February, 1845.

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

Shipping.

Steamers.

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**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Co.'s Steamship
Greyhound Captain TALBOT, will be
despatched for this above
Ports on **MONDAY**, the 1st March, at
5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 25, 1886. 383

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN
STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

**FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND
ADELAIDE.**

*(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEEN-
SLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, TAS-
MANIA, &c.)*


The Steamship
Guthrie,
Captain GIBSON, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on **TUESDAY, the 2nd March,** at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 22, 1886. 367

**AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

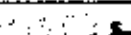
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO
BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
SAID, AND TRIESTE.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CAL
CUTTA, PERSIAN GULF, BLACK
SEA, LEVANT AND ADRIATIC PORTS.
The S. S. Steamship


 The Co.'s Steamship
Elektra,
Capt. G. RAGUSIN, will
be despatched as above
on **TUESDAY**, the 2nd of March, at Noon.
For further Particulars, regarding Freight
and Passage, apply to the Agent of the
Company, Praya Central.

Hongkong, February 17, 1886. 32

**FOR HOIHOW, PAKHOI AND
HAIPHONG.**

The Steamship
Rosamond,




 Capt. MORTLEMAN, will
 be despatched as above on
WEDNESDAY, the 3rd March, at 6 p.m.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
AH YON & Co.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1886. 30

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Steamship
Kennett,
Capt. SANDERSON, will be
despatched as above on
WEDNESDAY, the 3rd March, at 4 p.m.


A detailed black and white illustration of a three-masted sailing ship, the Kennett, shown from a side profile. The ship has multiple sails on its masts and a small cabin structure on the deck. It is depicted on a simple line representing the sea.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AH YON & Co
 Hongkong, February 26, 1886, 30
INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.
The Co.'s Steamship
Taisang,
Captain DAVIES, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on **THURSDAY**, the 4th March, at
3 p.m.
This Steamer has superior East India


Accommodation, specially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical climates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 24, 1886.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship
Ulysses,
Capt. BRENNER, will be
despatched as above on
THURSDAY, the 4th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, February 25, 1886. 38


Sailing Vessels.

FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

The 3/3 L.I.I. British Barque
George,
Wm. Grant, Master, will load
here for the above Port, and
will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 6, 1886.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The "AA 1 British Barque
Suzer,
W. MALCOLM, Master, will leave
here for the above Port, on
JAN 11.



will have quick despatch;
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1886. 25
FOR SANKAKAN
(NORTH BORNEO)
The German Barque
F. H. DROPS
Captain ROHMERT will be de-

patched for the above Port of
or about the 3rd March.
For Freight, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 25, 1886. 39

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

HAVE FOR SALE
THE FOLLOWING
STORES.

York HAMS.
Roll BUTTER.
Topcan BUTTER.
French BUTTER.
Err's COCOA.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
Picnic TONGUES.
MACKEREL in 5th Tins.
RAISINS and CURRANTS.
Crystallized FRUITS.

SAVORY & Moore's New Infant FOOD.
BARNES & Co.'s JAMS.
Potted MEATS.
PATE DE FOIS GRAS.
Swiss MILK.

BODDEN'S
CONDENSED MILK.
COOKING STOVES.
KEROSENE LAMPS.
WINES, &c.

GILBERT'S Sparkling SAUMON, Pils. & Qts.
SACONTE'S MANZANILLA.
SACONTE'S Old Invalid PORT.
Old Bourbon WHISKY.
BUNN'S Old Irish WHISKY.
Royal Glendee WHISKY.
MARSALE.

at the
Lowest Possible Prices
FOR CASH.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.
Hongkong, February 19, 1886.

To-day's Advertisements.
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half Year ending 31st December last, at the rate of (2) Two Pounds and a BONUS of (10) TEN SHILLINGS STERLING per SHARE of £125, are PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 1st March, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 401

**NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND
SOURABAYA, VIA SAIGON
AND SINGAPORE.

The Co's Steamship
Cedres, Capt. H. H. H. will be
dispatched as above on
MONDAY, the 1st March, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 395

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SHANGHAI
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, HANKOW
and Peking on the YANGTZE.)

The Co's Steamship
Canton, Capt. BRENNER, will be
dispatched as above on
MONDAY, the 1st March, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 396

FOR SHANGHAI
The Steamship
Amoy, Capt. P. K. L. will be
dispatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 1st March, at 4 p.m., instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 400

To-day's Advertisements.

**THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.**

**THE HONGKONG & CANTON
AMATEUR DRAMATIC
CLUBS**

Have the honor to announce that
A PERFORMANCE
WILL BE GIVEN ON

TUESDAY,
8th March, at 9 p.m.,
IN AID OF THE FUND
for the

REBUILDING OF THE CANTON THEATRE
Destroyed in the Riots.
When will be performed
H. J. BYRON'S COMEDY
in 3 Acts, entitled

'WEAK WOMAN'
Tickets (22 each) may be obtained from
Messrs. LAY, CHAN, & Co., on and
after Wednesday, 3rd March, at 9 a.m.

H. M. THOMSETT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 403

UNION LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Chelydra*, Captain H.
Pease, having arrived from the
above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading to
the Undersigned for countersignature, and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Steamer will be at once landed and stored
at Consignees' risk and expense, and no
Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before
the 8th March, or they will not be re-
cognized.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 398

TO LET.
THE 'BYRIE' PEAK FURNISHED.
Apply to
BELLILIOS & Co.
Hongkong, February 27, 1886. 404

Not Responsible for Debts.
Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

CANONBERT, American brig, Capt. W.
F. Stetson.—Messageries Maritimes.
ELEKTRA, Austro-Hungarian str., Capt.
G. Ragusin.—Aus.-Hung. L. S. N. Co.
FROHLICH, German brig, Captain W.
Möller.—Wieler & Co.

GRONDA, British barque, Capt. William
Grant.—Captain.
ROSAEMON, British steamer, Capt. J. W.
Mortleman.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

SHIPPING.
ARRIVALS.
February 27, 1886:—

Cedres, Dutch steamer, 1,050, J. Grebe
Dutch, from Saigon, 12 Chinese.
General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Canton, British steamer, from Whampoa.

de Haan, from Hongkong, 2 Chinese.
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Koehing, British steamer, from Wham-
poa.
Johnson, German steamer, 427, Binge,
Quin-hon February 23, and Tanton 23,
General.—WIENER & Co.

Fisher, British str., 500, F. D. Goddard,
Foshow February 23, Amoy 24, and Swa-
tow 29, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Taiwan, British steamer, 1,100, T. H.
Clegg, Newcastle, N.S.W., February 2,
Coal.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Lee Sang, British steamer, 1,002, W. E.
Sawer, Shanghai February 23, and Swatow
26, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Asington, British steamer, 800, Camp-
bell W. Hopworth, R.N.R., Shanghai Feb.
24, General.—STRENGTH & Co.

Neki, Japanese steamer, 720, Capt. Nomura,
Swatow February 26.

Orangas, British ship-rigged, 2,383, Capt.
J. G. J. Hammer, Yokohama February 24.

Thames, British steamer, 2,181, W. A.
Seaton, Shanghai February 25, Mail and
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES.
February 26:—
Limet, British gunboat, for a cruise.
Itis, German gunboat, for Swatow.

February 27:—
Lorne, for Swatow.
Vorwarts, for Haiphong.
Gilanda, for Saigon.
Dante, for Swatow.
Fidèle, for Bangkok.
Drachens, for Saigon.
Lee Sang, for Whampoa.
Koehing, for Singapore and Bombay.
Koehing, for Shanghai.
Koehing, for Hongkong.

CELESTED.
Namoa, for Coast Ports.
Sigat, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.
William, for Hoihow.
Strathairn, for Singapore.
Glenary, for Shanghai.
Amoy, for Shanghai.
Gerda, for Chetoo.
Amoy, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.
Farbridge, for Haiphong.
Suez, for Brisbane.

PASSENGERS.
Amoy, from Amoy, &c., 240 Chinese.
Per Cebu, from Amoy, &c., 1 Euro-
pean, and 12 Chinese.
Per Fiden, from Coast Ports, Mr and
Mrs Ollinger and family, Mrs Weeks and
family.
Per Taiwan, from Newcastle, &c., Mr
Spencer Jones, and 21 Chinese.
Per Lee Sang, from Shanghai, &c., Mr
James.
Per Thames, from Shanghai: for Hong-
kong, Mr Spoorer, and 11 Chinese; for
England, Mrs Boone and family, Messrs
Webster and Eckford.

DEPARTED.
Per Clyde, for Shanghai, from Hongkong,
Messrs Savidge, Moss, Capt. Mills, Mr and
Mrs Evans, Messrs M. and Mrs Cecil
Holliday, Messrs N. A. Walker and
Peritt, Major Walker, Mr J. A. Chalmers,
Lieut. Ozard, R.N., Surg. Crowley, R.N.;
from London, Mr B. Lind, Miss Yallop,
Mr and Mrs Wells, child and infant; from
Brindisi, Messrs J. Wilson, E. Seymour,
R. G. Horley and Hayward Jones; from
Bombay, Messrs J. O. and J. Judah and
servant; from Colombo, Miss Mantell.
Per Ararat, for Amoy, Singapore, &c.,
Mr Watson and Mrs. Julian.
Per Kowshu, for Shanghai, Mr and Mrs
John Bailey, and 20 Chinese.
Per Vorwarts, for Haiphong, 20 Chinese.
Per Gilanda, for Saigon, 14 Chinese.
Per Drachens, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.
Per Dante, for Swatow, 50 Chinese.
Per Koehing, for Singapore, &c., 1 Euro-
pean, and 39 Chinese.
Per Koehing, for Shanghai, 6 Euro-
peans, and 296 Chinese.
Per Lydia, for Singapore, &c., 6 Euro-
peans, and 10 Chinese.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKER.
The British steamer *Yamou* reports:
Left Swatow on the 1st inst., with strong
monsoon and showers to Amoy. Left
Amoy on the 24th with moderate N.E.
breeze and fine weather to Swatow. Left
Swatow on the 26th inst., and thence to
port moderate monsoon and overcast weather.
Swatow, Foshow, one Russian gunboat,
and one Japanese gunboat.
The British steamer *Taiwan* reports:
Had moderate weather to Thursday Island,
strong head wind and sea to Seraman.
Moderate and fine weather to port.
The British steamer *Lee Sang* reports:
Had thick foggy weather from Swatow.
The British steamer *Asington* reports:
Had light winds and thick weather to Turn-
about; thence to port strong monsoon and
thick rainy weather.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKER.
The United States Mail Packet *City of Rio de
Janeiro* will be despatched on THURSDAY,
the 4th March, with Mails to
Japan, San Francisco, the United
States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c.,
which will be closed as follows:—
2.15 p.m. Post-Office closes.
2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Corre-
pondence may be posted on board the
Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra
Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKER.
The French Contract Packet *Orna*
will be despatched on TUESDAY,
the 9th March, with Mails to the
United Kingdom, Europe, and places
beyond, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon,
India (via Madras), the Australian
Colonies, Aden, Zanzibar, the Cape,
Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKER.
The British Contract Packet *Thames*
will be despatched on TUESDAY, the
2nd March, with Mails for the United
Kingdom, Europe, and countries be-
yond, via Brindisi; to the Straits Settle-
ments, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India,
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THE SHANGHAI MERCURY SAYS.—The extensive repairs which the German sloop *Nautilus* lately underwent having been completed, the crew will be put on board the ship-of-war the day after to-morrow. The *Nautilus* is to leave during the first week in March for Amoy, where she will be met by H. G. M. S. *Itis*. The movements thence are not quite certain, though it is not unlikely that both vessels will come to Shanghai about the 20th proximo, to be present at the opening of the New German Consular Building, which event is expected to take place on the 22nd of March—Emperor William's birthday. It is also understood that, according to new reports which arrived here by last mail, there will be no German vessels of a large class sent to the Far East to be permanently stationed here. Instead, from time to time a "flying squadron" will leave on the German ports on a cruise round the world. The first one has already started from home. It consists of the following ships: the corvettes *Gieseler*, *Blücher*, and *Diadem*, the sloop *Hyacinth*, and the aviso *Itis*. The vessels are under the command of Rear Admiral Knorr. They were expected to leave Zanzibar on the 20th ult. for New Guinea; thence they were to visit all the German colonial possessions in the Pacific, making their way to Yokohama. Visiting all the German ports in Japan they would proceed to China, calling at almost every open port. In all probability the squadron will arrive here about Christmas.

There seem to be signs in the air, (says the *Free Press*) that the recurring eruption which has troubled Singapore from the year 1823 up to the present time, is again approaching an active state. It has been an increasing evil, growing with the ever-increasing Chinese population, and it may safely be said that it never before reached the fever height which it has attained during the last six months, for, as we have said in this paper, and Government Officials do not scruple to assert it, gambling is carried on openly in this town, by day and by night, and passers-by are invited to walk in, in defiance of the Police and of the law. The articles which are published in the *Lat Pau* speak of this as an unmistakably as we did ourselves. Pong lately complained so much of the evil, and it was brought so conspicuously home to the minds and pockets of the mercantile community there, that a special officer was sent down to report upon the matter, but we believe Singapore is in much greater straits, and although during the last few days there has been a lull, from an impression, not altogether unfounded, that the Government are driven to desperation at last, yet it will break out again more fiercely than ever as soon as the temporary alarm is allowed to sink to rest.

OFFICIAL notification is given that the undermentioned ships are at present being built and preparing to be built in the following private yards:—Messrs. Napier and Sons, Glasgow: *Australia*, 12, twin screw armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons, 8,500-horse power; *Galatia*, 12, twin screw armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons, 8,500-horse power. Messrs. J. and G. Thomson, Glasgow: *Brig*, 6, *Cossack*, 6, *Mohawk*, 6, *Porpoise*, 6, and *Tartar*, 6, twin screw steel torpedo cruisers, 1,830 tons, 3,500-horse power. Sir W. Armstrong and Co., Newcastle-on-Tyne: *Wasp*, 6, screw composite gunboat, 670 tons, 1,000-horse power; *Renown*, 15, steel armoured-plated turret ship, 10,470 tons, 12,000-horse power; *Rattler*, 6, screw composite gunboat, 670 tons, 1,000-horse power. Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Belfast: *Invincible*, 6, and *Indefatigable*, 6, screw composite gunboats, 670 tons, 1,000-horse power. Thames Ironworks Company, Blackwall: *Sans Pareil*, 15, twin steel armour-plated turret ship, 10,470 tons, 12,000-horse power. Harrow Ship-building Company, Harrow-in-Furness: *Arcturion*, 4, screw torpedo cruiser, 1,480 tons, 3,200-horse power. Earl's Shipbuilding Company, Hull: *Narcissus*, 12, steel twin screw armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons, 8,500-horse power. Palmer's Shipbuilding Company, Jarrow-on-Tyne: *Orlando*, 12, and *Undaunted*, 15, twin screw armoured cruisers, 5,000 tons, 8,500-horse power. Messrs. Laird Brothers, Birkenhead: *Messiah*, 1, twin screw steel torpedo gunboat, 450 tons, 2,700-horse power. These 18 ships represented a total of 147 guns, 58,700 tons, and 93,900-horse power, which, with the 22 building in progress, make a grand total of 333 guns, 101,700 tons, and 152,550-horse power.

THE *Temps* commenting on the statement that Germany will refuse to give her consent to the regulations framed by China to carry out the Opium Convention, with Great Britain, says:—To turn the matter Germany claims compensation. Her objections were foreseen. The convention which deals with the modification of the duties collectable on the import of opium could not be a matter of indifference to the nation which is actually in the Chinese sea making to vigorous a commercial campaign against England that one of our correspondents wrote us lately that in a few years English commerce would be relegated to the second rank throughout the Far East. In treating on the basis of the suppression of 'Lekin', that internal duty which burdens opium like all other articles of commerce in Chinese territory, the negotiators of the Convention, Lord Salisbury and the Marquis Tsiang, sought reciprocal advantages for their respective countries; in fact, the suppression of the 'Lekin' on opium would have been the foundation of a remodelling of the Customs tariffs, and in the near future of the overthrow of the inland customs. Hence the difficulty of getting into execution the projected modifications of the Customs regulations relating to opium, the importation of which does not constitute a monopoly.

It would be interesting to know on what conditions Germany would 'abandon her veto'. The country which has the proposed duty lines in China, which the Chinese Government would doubtless suit her!

RANGOON, Jan. 25.—The *Rangoon Gazette's* correspondent at Mandalay says that the city is being cleaned and the roads repaired. Great preparations are being made for the visit of the Viceroy, who will occupy Theebaw's apartments in the palace. A large gang of cheerful workers are busily employed.

Accounts from the districts show that there have been fewer dacoities. Col. Sladen's excellent arrangements are now bearing fruit. Speedy justice is administered by Major Adamson in the city, instead of the dawdling arrangements of the Burmese ministers. The bloodshed is ably assisted by Mr. Florde, late of the Moulmein police.

OFF DAY.

The races to-day of course lacked a good deal of the exciting interest that marked the events of the previous days. The attendance of foreigners was rather meagre and the crowd of natives was perceptibly thinner. A good many of the stalls, tents, gambling tables, &c., which were profusely strewn on the interior of the course, had disappeared and with them had gone much of the shouting and babble of voices that were heard on the first days. Bookmakers also were less numerous and the ear was not dimmed with the loud praises of the 'winning' ponies that generally did not win. Perhaps not a little of the apathy of the community is due to the fact that there was no Steeplechase this year—an event which always creates excitement and brings down crowds of anxious spectators. But despite the paucity of attendance there was no lack of interest in one or two of the races. The *Mafoos* created some merriment. The Chinese jockeys rode well and were spurred to do their level best by the plaudits of the natives. The Championship was gained by *Little Boy*—a tiny specimen indeed who rode well and brought in *Fus* in splendid style. Some fun was got out of a less fortunate jockey who lost his cap and came trotting in with his queue somewhat disarranged. A good deal of interest also gathered round the *Roadsters' Plate* which turned out to be a rather exciting race. *Warrior* at first did all the winning but was beautifully caught at the close by *Ruby*. Between the third and fourth events *Merry Monk* and *Shamrock* made an interesting trial of their powers. The distance was once round the course or seven furlongs. Both horses started on a level and kept neck and neck with each other till three fourths of the distance was covered when *Merry Monk* left his companion and notwithstanding that *Shamrock* made a brave spurt coming up the Straight he found he could not make up on *Merry Monk*, who won easily. The duties of Clerk of the Course have been ably performed throughout the meeting by Mr. Tripp and the officiating stewards did their work in a manner which gave general satisfaction. Their names are:—Judge: Mr. A. Coxon. Starter: Mr. J. Grant, assisted by Mr. M. Grote. Weigher in: Mr. H. Hoppins, and Time-keeper: Mr. G. E. Noble.

After the races were over the Chinese gamblers who remained were doing a roaring trade and not a few foreigners resorted to this means of keeping up the excitement.

1.—'OWENIA' Cup, for beaten subscription. Grifflins. Once round. Mr. Grammont's *Conservative* (Mr. Crawford) 11st 11lb. 1. Mr. Jay's *Stumps* (Mr. Reynell) 11st 13lb. 2. Mr. Jay's *Master Vinegar* (Mr. Hobbins) 11st 12lb. 3. Mr. F. S. Gordon's *Clova* (Mr. Hutchings) 11st 11lb. 0. Mr. Theo's *Punjom* (Mr. Damman) 10st 9lb. 0. Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Galopini* (Capt. Hawkshaw) 10st 12lb. 0. A good start was made, *Punjom* getting the lead at first by about a length, while the others were all close together. On going up the Slope *Master Vinegar* and *Clova* both spurred and tried to take the premier position, but their attempt failed. Down the Slope there was a very close race, but on reaching the Village the ponies began to spread and when the Straight was reached a considerable change in position had taken place. *Conservative* and *Stumps* had gradually forged themselves to the front, and the race lay now between them. But *soon* became apparent that the contest was an unequal one. *Conservative* spurred in fine style, and when the post was reached had left his rival three lengths behind; *Vinegar*, who was third, was about an equal distance behind *Stumps*. Time: 2 min. 5 sec.

2.—THE 'ROADSTERS' PLATE.'—Presented by the 'Jockey Club.'—For Ponies the best race property of Hongkong Residents that are not otherwise entered at this Meeting. Weight 11st. 7lb. 1/2, previous winners 10lb. extra; to be ridden by Members of the Jockey Club who have never had a Winning Mount in Hongkong or China previous to this Meeting. Distance: 5 fms to Second Post. Distance. Once round.

Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Ruby* (Mr. Coxon) 12st 5lb. 1. Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Warrior* (Mr. D. E. Sassoon) 12st 5lb. 2. Mr. R. Fraser-Smith's *Lochnagar* (Capt. Hawkshaw) 11st 7lb. 3. Mr. I. Hughes' *Empress* (Mr. I. Hughes) 11st 6lb. 0. Mr. R. Fraser-Smith's *Lochnagar* (Mr. Crawford) 11st 7lb. 0. Mr. Hooke's *Maz* (Mr. Hooke) 11st 7lb. 0. Mr. Wegner's *Batt* (Mr. Wegner) 11st 7lb. 0.

Considerable trouble was experienced in making a start, the ponies being very scared and the start when made was not the best that could be desired. The ponies, however, on hearing the Bridge came on close together and there was a rather awkward crash on rounding the corner. But

as they went up the Slope *Warrior*, who had the lead, increased his distance in front of the others to more than three lengths. Down the Slope, *Ruby*, who had been lagging, but up, but failed to come alongside *Warrior* till the Village was passed and the Straight reached. Coming along the Straight it was difficult to say which of the two was first, and for some four or five hundred yards a neck and neck race was run. And finally, *Ruby* showed he had the most force left, coming in a short neck in front of *Warrior*, *Lochnagar*, who was third, being two or three lengths behind. Time 2 minutes.

3.—MARAUDER'S CUP, for beaten Ponies, One Mile. Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Rappahannock* (Mr. D. E. Sassoon) 11st 2lb. 2. Major Bagatock's *Wild Wood* (Mr. Hutchings) 11st 11lb. 0. Mr. John Peel's *Bandman* (Mr. Reynell) 11st 4lb. 3. Mr. Smarty's *Meteor* (Capt. Hawkshaw) 11st 11lb. 0. Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Piccadilly* (Mr. Baker) 11st 11lb. 0. Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Paddyfinder* (Mr. Bathgate) 11st 11lb. 0. Mr. John Peel's *Torpedo* (Mr. J. Bell-Irving) 10st 6lb. 0. Mr. Seraph's *Hard Times* (Mr. Damman) 11st 11lb. 1.

Eight ponies turned out to contest this event, *Meteor* and *Bandman* being the warmest favourites. After a very good start *Meteor* ran into first place and kept the lead, with *Hard Times* and *Piccadilly* in second and third place. At the Village *Bandman* came up with a rush and a splendid race ensued down the Straight between him, *Rappahannock*, who had worked to the front rank at the Village, and *Hard Times*. The latter, however, put on a fine spurt half way down the Straight and won the race by two or three lengths, *Rappahannock* beating *Bandman* for second place by about half a length. Time 2 min. 10 1/2 sec.

4.—CHAMPION MAPOOS.—First Prize, \$50; Second Prize, \$30; Third Prize, \$20. Presented by O. Tock, Esq. Distance, One-mile-and-a-quarter. Mr. Buxey's *Fun*, (Little Boy), 9st. 1. Major Bagatock's *Moon*, (Horse), 9st. 2. Mr. Krenon's *Gladiator*, (Dumman), 9st. 3. Mr. Buxey's *Chapside*, (Wang Sang), 9st. 0. Mr. Buxey's *Marauder*, (Punch), 9st. 0. Mr. John Peel's *Honesty*, (Schuman), 9st. 0. Mr. F. S. Gordon's *Robin Gray*, (Hoo Ming), 9st. 0.

A good deal of amusement was got out of this race, the jockeying of the Chinese boys being watched with a lively interest, and a good start was made at the Rock without much trouble and for some time the ponies kept abreast of each other. The first break was made in front of the Grand Stand. *Honesty* there got a length ahead and *Chapside* and *Fun* also broke away from the pack. Going up the Slope, *Fun* passing *Chapside* and *Honesty* and with a fine spurt got two or three lengths in front before the Village was reached. *Moon* had also retained his strength for the final rush and coming up the Straight he passed the others and pressed hard on *Fun*. But *Fun* was more than a match for him and spurring in response he swept past the goal an easy first, *Moon* and *Gladiator* being second and third respectively with a good distance between them. Time 2 mins. 39 sec.

5.—FOR BEATEN MAPOOS. Distance seven Furlongs. Catch weights. Mr. Smarty's *Meteor* (Tinnam), 9st. 1. Mr. Buxey's *Bygravia* (Little Boy), 9st. 2. Mr. Jay's *Highland Fling* (Schuman), 9st. 3. Mr. D. E. Sassoon's *Cornhill*, 9st. 0. Do. Do. *Rappahannock*, 9st. 0. Do. Do. *Reaper*, 9st. 0. Mr. F. S. Gordon's *Ambarcador*, 9st. 0. Do. Do. *Diagon*, 9st. 0. Major Cochran's *Fanny Fair*, 9st. 0.

The jockeys in this race were all mapoos whose ponies had not won a race this meeting, and the weights and numbers were not taken. The race was hard ridden from beginning to end, as is generally the case when Chinese riders are up. *Meteor* made the running from the start, and was never passed, but there was a fine contest for second place between *Bygravia* and *Highland Fling*, the former coming in second about two lengths behind *Meteor* and a length in front of *Highland Fling*. *Tinnam*, a well-known veteran Hongkong mapoo, rode the winner, while the Chinese youngster known as 'Little Boy', who, we believe, won a race on *Allegre* under the name of Tom Cannon, two years ago, was mounted on *Bygravia*. This finished the day's racing.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB. The following are the teams for the Match Irish and Scotch v. The Rest, to be played on the Club ground, Happy Valley, on Monday, at 4.15.

Irish & Scotch (Colours—Stripes). Full Back—Pike. 3 Backs—Graham and Larrick. 3 Backs—Lockhart and Larrick. Forwards. Anderson (Capt.) Leachman. Brown. Lynch. Jackson. O'Connell. Kennedy. Young.

The Rest (Colours—White). Full Back—Hayler (Captain). 3 Backs—Ramsay and Reid. 3 Backs—Webster and Drew. Forwards. Brodie. Lorne. Gaultier. Metcalfe. Leggett. Perkins. Peck. J. Freeman.

FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR. That the Stewards of the Jockey Club are entitled to the cordial thanks of the community for their excellent arrangements at the Race Meeting of 1886, and for the true sportsman-like tone imparted by them to the meeting.

That the Judges, Starters, and other officials performed their onerous duties in the most perfect manner.

That the general Clerk of the Course carried sunshine wherever his scarlet coat appeared.

That the hospitality displayed by noble owners was free and unbounded.

That the much-coveted Ladies' Purse was gallantly contested, well won, and gracefully presented, and that the winning Jockey is to be excused for having forgotten what he had to say when under the fire of so many bright eyes in the Grand Stand.

That the Blue Ribbon was gallantly won and well deserved.

That *Conqueror* has again justified his name, by making the most popular win of the Meeting; that *Herald* brought consolation to his owner; and that *Umbrella* demonstrated that real sportsmen need never despair.

That the racing was as good, and the honours as evenly divided, as at any previous Race Meeting.

That the crowds of Celestials were greater than ever, but that the Police deserve credit for their admirable arrangements. That the Band of the Northamptonshire shied sweet harmony around that almost soothed the wounded feelings of those whose money had been placed on the wrong horses.

That it is a hopeful sign to see young residents coming forward as gentlemen jockeys, and pleasant to see them win.

That the visitors from Shanghai and the Coast Ports have marked their sense of this enjoyable Meeting by subscribing for a handsome prize in the form of a Viscitors' Cup, worth \$500, which is to be run for at next Meeting.

That your sporting correspondent 'Independent' was unduly severe upon owners' errors in training, and also upon the unfortunate selection at Shanghai of the Subscription Grifflins.

That, considering the season when the grifflins are selected for Hongkong, and the limit as to cost, the chances are all against a large percentage of good animals being delivered here.

That the H. & S. Bank meeting to-day was an event in the commercial annals of Hongkong to be remembered.

That, while it revealed a condition of affairs most gratifying to residents of Hongkong and shareholders in the Bank, it also suggested continued prosperity for this Colony and the speedy development of trade in China generally.

That much of this prosperity is due to the ability, discretion, high integrity, and faithful service of the Hon. Thomas Jackson, Chief Manager.

That the hon. gentleman enthusiastically voted to the Chief Manager in every way a just and honest investment, creditable alike to the donors and the recipient; and that the reply made by Mr. Jackson was that of a true-hearted gentleman and a thoroughly popular Chief.

That the Colony and the Local Bank are bound to stand or fall together.

That the speech of the retiring Chairman (Hon. F. D. Sassoon) is an admirable statement of the progress of the local bank institution for the last decade, and that it is a splendid testimonial to the ability of those at the helm of affairs.

That the Chamber of Commerce should be on the alert, as the interests of this Colony will have to be defended ere long both from within and without.

That the indignation aroused by the high-handed action of the Colonial Office officials is smouldering, and must sooner or later break into a steady flame.

That manifest injustice can never serve any good end, even when loyalty gives way to it.

That the wretched steam-whistle nuisance has been again attracting attention, and that the steam-launches which do the least business make the most noise.

That the Chinese should be taught that frantic, ear-splitting 'toot-tooting' can never make up for slackness of business, or take the place of necessary precautions in running through the Harbour.

That the crowds which are often seen in Chinese-owned steam-launches and steamers deserve the attention of the Police, and that nominal fines of \$5 will not remedy the evil.

BROWNIE.

MEETING OF THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was held in St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, this forenoon at 12 o'clock, when the Court of Directors presented their forty-first report to the meeting. The meeting was largely attended, those present being:—Hon. F. D. Sassoon (Chairman); Mr. A. McIver (Deputy Chairman); Hon. W. Keewick, Messrs C. D. Bottomley, A. P. McEwen, M. Grote, H. Hoppins and H. L. Dalrymple, (Court of Directors); Hon. T. Jackson, Chief Manager of the Corporation; Hon. E. L. O'Malley; Hon. P. Ryrie, Messrs U. P. Chater, W. Legge, H. W. Davis, K. A. Ching, W. H. Ray, B. McCulloch, H. G. V. C. Roads, S. Hughes, Frank Bowman, &c.

After a short pause, and no one putting any question, the Chairman said:—As there are no questions I have much pleasure in proposing that the Report and Accounts be presented and adopted and passed.

Mr. O. P. Chater, Mr. Chairman and gentlemen—I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report. In doing so, with your permission, Mr. Chairman, I should like to make a few remarks

on your speech, or, rather, on that portion which concerns Mr. Jackson's honorarium. You have, Mr. Chairman, in a very precise and comprehensive manner traced the position of the Bank to the shareholders. You have pointed out to us the enormous increase in the volume of the business of the Bank; you have pointed out to us the very large Reserve Fund we have at the present moment; but I think, Mr. Chairman, you have omitted to point out to us the very handsome dividends that we have received and also the very large increase in the value of our shares. Gentlemen, we all know that the Directors are not supposed to be guided one way or the other by the value of the shares in the market, but, gentlemen, it is a matter of the utmost importance that our shares should command a good price in the open market. I have been a shareholder, gentlemen, in this Bank for a considerable number of years. I was a shareholder in the Bank long before Mr. Jackson was called upon to take supreme charge of the Bank. I was a shareholder in the Bank when he took it, and I am a shareholder to-day, and I am glad to say, to a very large amount (Laughter and applause.) When Mr. Jackson took charge of the Bank the shares of this Corporation were quoted in the market, not in Hongkong, but on the London Stock Exchange at something like £18 or £20. Although there has been a large increase in the capital of the Bank since then, the old shares to-day are selling in London at £66 and upwards (Applause.) This means prosperity, not only to the Bank but to everyone connected with it. It means prosperity to this Colony in particular and to China in general, and I am sure from the handsome manner you have received the speech of the Chairman that you are all of my opinion, that the man who has brought about this happy state of affairs should be called upon to share in that prosperity. (Loud applause.) I am sure, gentlemen, that if we were seated on the opposite side, we would do what our Directors have done. I am sure we would not allow Mr. Jackson to go home without in some substantial manner proving to him our appreciation of his most valuable services. (Hear hear)—not only to us as shareholders, but to this Colony in particular (Applause.) Knowing as I do Mr. Jackson, I am sure your cheers to-day will last longer in his memory and will go deeper into his kind heart than the honorarium we are about to give him (Loud applause.) Mr. Chairman, with these remarks I have great pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report.

The resolution was then put to the meeting by the Chairman, and carried unanimously.

Hon. W. Keewick next moved:—Mr. Chairman, I beg to propose the re-election of Messrs Grote, Bottomley and Hoppins, the Directors, who, by rotation, retire at this meeting.

Mr. Foss seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Mr. McIver—I beg to propose the re-election of the Hon. P. Ryrie and Mr. Henderson as Auditors to the Bank.

Mr. Tonnant seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

The Chairman—That is all the business. The Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday. I would ask you to remain for a few minutes for an extraordinary meeting.

Mr. Jackson, who, on rising, was greeted with loud and hearty applause, said:—Gentlemen, I thank you most heartily for the generous proceedings of this day. It is indeed to me a very great gratification that I should, after being associated with you at twenty of these meetings, meet with such a reception at your hands. If I were to take the credit for the ability and everything that has been freely offered to me by the Chairman and by Mr. Chater, who seconded the adoption of the Report, I should be doing a very great injustice to my colleagues. No man was ever better aided in his post than I have been by my colleagues. (Applause.) It would indeed be a very easy matter to win a race pulling in the same boat with David MacLean, Ewen Cameron and John Walter. Not only these gentlemen above all, but the other agents down to the last-joined assistant, have worked happily, cordially and loyally with me (Applause.) Gentlemen, I have done my best for this Corporation; I am extremely pleased that you consider my best good enough (Long and loud applause.)

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING. The shareholders present then formed themselves into an extraordinary meeting, and Mr. McIver took the chair.

The Chief Manager read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman—You will have noticed from the Special Circular sent to all the Shareholders on the 12th instant, that this Extraordinary Meeting is called for the purpose of asking your sanction to apply for the renewal or extension of the Ordinance under which the Bank was incorporated in 1886. I now beg to move the following resolution:—That the Court of Directors be authorized to apply for and accept a Renewed or Supplemental Ordinance to renew or supplement the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance of 1886, and for the extension of the time for which the said Ordinance was passed, for a further term of 21 years or for such other period as may be by such renewed ordinance provided.

Mr. S. Hughes—I have much pleasure in seconding the resolution.

The resolution was then put to the meeting, and carried unanimously.

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Gentlemen,—The Directors have now to submit to you their Report, with a Statement of Accounts for the half-year ending 31st December last.

The total receipts for the six months are \$803,234.75, and the net profit, after paying interest due and all charges, amounts to \$138,602.67. To which we have to add the balance brought forward from last account..... 4,289.01

